

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

MONTA ARNELL JOHNSON,

Defendant.

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ORDER

This matter is before the court on the motion for an extension of time by defendant Monta Arnell Johnson (Johnson) (Filing No. 20). Johnson seeks an additional thirty days in which to file pretrial motions in accordance with the progression order (Filing No. 8). Johnson has filed an affidavit wherein he consents to the motion and acknowledges he understands the additional time may be excludable time for the purposes of the Speedy Trial Act. Johnson's counsel represents that government's counsel has no objection to the motion. Upon consideration, the motion will be granted.

IT IS ORDERED:

1. Defendant Johnson's motion for an extension of time (Filing No. 20) is granted. Johnson is given until **on or before March 14, 2008**, in which to file pretrial motions pursuant to the progression order.

2. The ends of justice have been served by granting such motion and outweigh the interests of the public and the defendant in a speedy trial. The additional **time** arising as a result of the granting of the motion, i.e., the time between **February 11, 2008 and March 14, 2008**, shall be deemed **excludable** time in any computation of time under the requirement of the Speedy Trial Act for the reason defendant's counsel requires additional time to adequately prepare the case, taking into consideration due diligence of counsel, and the novelty and complexity of this case. The failure to Johnson additional time might result in a miscarriage of justice. 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(A) & (B).

DATED this 11th day of February, 2008.

BY THE COURT:

s/Thomas D. Thalken
United States Magistrate Judge